KEY DEVELOPMENTS AT LUCAS OIL STADIUM AND INDIANA CONVENTION CENTER EXPANSION DURING AUGUST 2006

New Stadium to Feature Wider Seats:

Patrons attending events at the new Lucas Oil Stadium should feel much more comfortable in their new chairs compared to the old ones at the RCA Dome. That's because all the seats in the new stadium will be wider theater-style chairs with arms ranging in width from 20 to 24 inches. RCA Dome seats, including bleachers in some general admission areas, average 19 inches in width. The Indiana Stadium and Convention Building Authority (ISCBA) approved an \$11.3 million contract with Irwin Seating Company to provide 53,266 standard stadium seats measuring 20 inches in width, 6,982 padded club seats that are 21 inches wide and 2,194 upholstered suite chairs with a width of 22 to 24 inches. More than 600 additional seats will be included on a future bid package for a total of 63,000 seats. In addition, the distance between rows at Lucas Oil Stadium will range from 33 to 35 inches compared to only 31 inches at the RCA Dome. (READ MORE)







The seats that will be installed in Lucas Oil Stadium are shown above (left to right: general admission seats, club seats, and suite seats). The seats, manufactured by Irwin Seating Company, are wider and more comfortable than those currently in the RCA Dome. The seats were approved at the August 22 board meeting of the Indiana Stadium and Convention Building Authority.

Construction Team Promoting Minority Participation:

The Hunt/Smoot/Mazetta construction continues to aggressively promote minority participation in construction of Lucas Oil Stadium. The team has made contact with more than 425 minority and women-owned businesses in one-on-one sessions, e-mails and other types of meetings to answer questions about qualifications, certification and procedures to submit proposals. As the project entered August, the MWBE construction utilization percentage totaled 17.93%, which consists of 14.11% MBE and 3.82% WBE. Professional services MWBE utilization stood at 20.12%, including 15.41% MBE and 4.71% WBE. The total dollar amount under contract thus far with MWBE firms is \$88,592,138.

Lucas Oil Stadium MWBE Participation Report Summary August 18, 2006

Category	Original Commitment		%	Changes		Current Commitment		%
Contractors								
Total Contracts	\$	403,407,179		\$	7,936,734	\$	411,343,913	
Total MBE	\$	53,525,309	13.27%	\$	4,508,971	\$	58,034,279	14.11%
Total WBE	\$	15,604,751	3.87%	\$	119,960	\$	15.724.710	3.82%
Total MWBE	\$	69,130,060	17.14%	\$	4,628,930	\$	73,758,990	17.93%
Soft Costs								
Total Contracts	\$	73,708,090		\$	107,613	\$	73,815,703	
Total MBE	\$	11,253,765	15.27%	\$	102,893	\$	11,356,658	15.41%
Total WBE	\$	3,471,770	4.71%	\$	4,720	\$	3,476,490	4.72%
Total MWBE	\$	14,725,535	19.98%	\$	107,613	\$	14,833,148	20.12%
Combined Totals								
Total Contracts	\$	477,115,269		\$	8,044,347	\$	485,159,616	
Total MBE	\$	64,779,074	13.58%	\$	4,611,864	\$	69,390,938	14.30%
Total WBE	\$	19,076,521	4.00%	\$	124,680	\$	19,201,200	3.96%
Total MWBE	\$	83,855,595	17.58%	\$	4,736,543	\$	88,592,138	18.26%

Concrete Work Continues at Rapid Pace:

Pouring of concrete for the superstructure continues to dominate the work schedule at the stadium site. Crews soon will begin work on the seating decks in the middle and upper bowl. Concrete contractors are working double shifts to make sure the site is ready for the arrival of new structural steel. The double shifts are not affecting the bottom line, however, since "acceleration" money was included in the budget. September's schedule calls for the start of assembly of the roof steel and precast brick panels on the stadium's exterior.